# Alumni News

Fall 1996

## How we spent our summer vacation...

*...we added a radiology lab and darkroom to our Veterinary Technology facilities...*

*...we built a new athletic field...*

*...and we expanded our Dental Health Center.*
*See inside for details!*

News for the Alumni of **Manor Junior College**
Jenkintown, PA

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**ON THE COVER -- Pictured top:** Vet. Tech. Program Director, Joanna Bassert, VMD, and Joanne Kellenbenz, CVT, Vet. Tech. education coordinator pose in their new darkroom.
**Middle:** Workers from Shearon Environmental Design Co. groom the new athletic field.
**Bottom:** Manor's own Roman Volosevich works on the new Dental Center facilities.

# What's New

## Dental Hygiene Program Kicks-Off

In September, Manor welcomed its first class of students into the new Dental Hygiene program. The two-and-a-half year/six semester program provides comprehensive technical training along with a liberal arts curriculum.

Students enrolled in the program are prepared for the national and regional board exams which are required for Dental Hygiene State Licensure. Upon completion of the program, students may enroll in an abridged EFDA program in order to become dual certified dental auxiliaries.

Dental Hygiene Director Virginia Saunders says the program meets the demands of students interested in the growing field. "Over 100 applicants applied for only 14 spots in the program," said Saunders.

While current renovations are underway to improve Manor's own facility -- including the addition of a 16-student laboratory, a didactic classroom and a seven chair Dental Hygiene Clinic -- an affiliation with Temple University allows Manor students to spend a portion of their clinic time at the state-of-the-art facility at Temple and gain first hand knowledge on all areas of dentistry.

## Radiology Lab Set to Open

A new Veterinary Technology facility will debut this spring when the American Veterinary Medical Association visits the College for its five-year evaluation.

The new laboratory, which is required by the accrediting body, includes a radiology dark room and an X-ray room. The darkroom will be completed this fall and will be used by students to develop X-ray film. Although an X-ray unit is not yet in place, the College hopes to acquire a state of the art high frequency table and generator later this year.

In addition, the new facility includes an environmentally controlled room for laboratory animals that houses its own heating and cooling system and an automatic water supply. "The lab is beneficial for both students and animals," said Veterinary Technology Program Director Dr. Joanna Bassert. "The facility will enable students to learn proper husbandry techniques and will also provide a more comfortable living environment for the animals."

## Build It and They Will Come...

Blue Jay soccer will have a true home field advantage beginning next fall when a brand new athletic field debuts on campus. Currently under construction, the 330' x 195' field will meet the requirements of Division I schools, allowing Manor to host championship and tournament play.

"The success of our sports teams, particularly our men's soccer team, was a critical factor in building the field," said Dean of Admissions Jerry Czenstuch. "Our soccer team, though very successful, often plays in front of small crowds because students have to travel a half-hour to watch them. Our men's soccer team, which has won two championships in the past five years, often played in front of empty seats."

*The yet-to-be-named soccer field will be ready for the start of the 1997 fall season.*

The new field, which is being built by Shearon Environmental Design Company, Inc., will include plenty of spectator seating. "We felt our athletes deserved a field they would be proud of and where our students could root for their team on campus," said Czenstuch.

# If There's a Will There's a Way

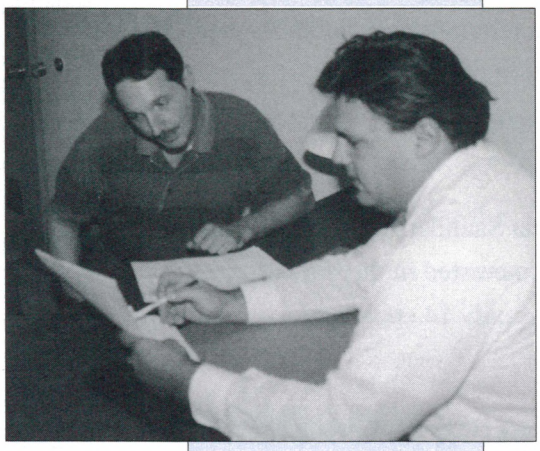
*By Frank J. DeMarchi*
*Director of Development and Alumni Relations*

Sometimes keeping pace with the speed of daily life causes certain tasks to be relegated to tomorrow. Often the best intended actions are forgotten in the midst of family obligations and work demands. Preparing or revising a Will can be one of those things held over for another day. In fact, over 40 percent of all Americans die without a Will each year.

Nonetheless, taking time to compose or amend your Will protects your valuable assets and your family's future. It assures your legacy is passed on to future generations and that your hard earned assets are distributed according to your wishes.

A Will gives you peace of mind and enables you to accomplish several things:

- to decide how your property will be distributed;
- to choose a guardian for your children and appoint an executor of your estate;
- to reduce and sometimes eliminate estate taxes;
- to establish trusts and make charitable gifts to your institution.



*Development and Alumni Relations Director Frank DeMarchi advises a prospective donor to the College.*

## To Help You Prepare

An attorney can review your personal circumstances and offer individual options best suited to your institution. Manor Junior College suggests you consult an attorney familiar with estate law when seeking assistance in preparing this valuable document. Taking the time to get your questions and statistical information ready prior to meeting with a lawyer will help minimize your legal expenses. To begin:

- establish and put in writing your priorities and questions;
- prepare a list of your assets and liabilities;
- compile the basic statistics of significant others including name, birth date and social security number.

## The Manor Bequest

Manor Junior College has received donations from bequests since its founding almost 50 years ago. As the nation's premier two-year Catholic college, support of its endowment, scholarship funds and academic programs has been important to our friends and alumni. Whether large or small, the cumulative benefit of these benevolent gifts has helped us sustain our promise of providing quality, affordable higher education. As we prepare to meet the education challenges of the coming century, Manor Junior College invites you to join those who have made a commitment to support and embrace our efforts.

## Forms of Bequests:

Our full name is Manor Junior College. When you are ready to include Manor in your Will, we recommend you consult with an attorney for the specific form of bequest appropriate for you. There are several ways in which you can provide for Manor Junior College and the education of future generations in your Will:

### *Outright Gifts* -

You make an outright bequest of cash, securities or other property to Manor Junior College. You may designate a specific dollar amount, or, as a hedge against inflation and changing market conditions, a fixed percentage of your estate.

### *Residuary Gifts* -

This type of bequest takes into consideration changing family and financial circumstances. Once your other beneficiaries have received designated portions of your estate through outright bequests, you may stipulate that Manor Junior College receive whatever remains in your estate; in this way you can ensure that your family is protected and that Manor Junior College will also benefit.

### *Contingent Bequests* -

By making a contingent bequest, you stipulate that Manor Junior College will receive a portion of your estate if one or more of your named beneficiaries fails to survive you. It is always desirable to specify a contingent beneficiary in your Will, and Manor Junior College would be honored to be so designated.

### *Testamentary Trust* -

You can establish a testamentary charitable trust through your Will. At the time of your death that trust uses all - or a portion of your estate - to provide income payments to one or more beneficiaries named by you. Upon the death of the surviving beneficiaries, the principal passes to Manor Junior College.

## Estate Tax Savings

Outright bequests to Manor Junior College are fully deductible for federal estate tax purposes. In most states, they are exempt from inheritance taxes. A partial estate tax deduction is allowed for testamentary charitable trusts and other life income gifts established through bequest. For more information about making a bequest to Manor, please call the Development and Alumni Relations Office at 215-885-2360 ext. 216.

# Alumni Association promises new activities, conveniences for graduates

The Alumni Association Board has some exciting plans in store for Manor alumni. Board President Mary Lou Delizia, '66, says the newly active Board will have a stronger alumni voice on college issues and planning, host alumni reunions and trips, and begin a Blue Jay Booster Club. "Everything is possible for us at this point," says Delizia. "Our first task is to prioritize our ideas and get started on the top few."

*Alumni Association Board President Mary Lou Delizia is planning new activities for alumni.*

The centerpiece of the college's alumni services is an alumni hotline for "one call" information shopping. "Colleges are sometimes like utilities in the sense that callers often receive the 'run-around' when they try to resolve problems or get information," said Delizia. "The hotline prevents situations like that from happening. If someone has a question we cannot immediately answer, we will get their phone number and call them back with the answer."

In addition to the hotline, Delizia said alumni information will soon be available on the Internet. "The alumni portion of our homepage will include alumni association information, E-mail access for questions and comments, an events calendar, and the entire alumni directory."

## Come On Board!

*The Alumni Association does not have dues, fees or any formal application. Membership is based on alumni that successfully completed a Manor degree, certificate program, certificate diploma or at least one full year. For more information about becoming involved with the Alumni Association, call the Alumni hotline at 215-885-2360 ext. 215.*

Also in the planning phases is the establishment of a Blue Jay Booster Club for alumni athletes and parents of current student-athletes and the establishment of alumni "round-ups" throughout the greater Philadelphia area. The round-ups are western-themed reunions for alumni of all classes that feature a south-western buffet, line dancing, hat contests and games. "I see my role as an 'involver,'" says Delizia. "I want as many alumni as possible to be Manor ambassadors and active in alumni activities."

# The Springtime Gala: It's a Manor Thing

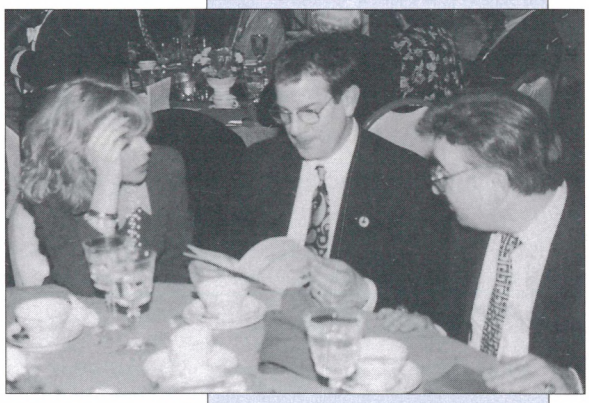
A good time was had by all at the 7th Annual Springtime Gala, held April 19 at the elegant Spring Mill Country Club in Ivyland. Over 170 guests, including members of the Board of Trustees, CPA, administration, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the College attended one of the College's major fundraising events of the year.

*Gala guests danced to the sounds of* No Assembly Required.

Presided over by Master of Ceremonies Charles Cheleden, vice-chairman of the CPA, this year's Gala was the most financially successful ever, with all proceeds going toward Manor's new Dental Hygiene Program.

Following a cocktail hour that afforded attendees the opportunity to mingle with others from the Manor community or browse through the 30 auction items on display, guests were treated to a delectable three course gourmet dinner. Shortly after came the highlight of the evening -- the always entertaining Live Auction. Professional auctioneer Barry Slosberg led the furious pace with his unique style and humor (not to mention quick tongue), as participants bid on many attractive items -- including vacation getaways, concert tickets, dining packages, fine china and sports collectibles. And once again, the Big Chance Raffle, with the best odds in town (7 in 200) made one lucky person $2,500 richer.

*Auctioneer Barry Slosberg (right) watches as CPA member Michael O'Connor and wife Janice decide what to bid on.*



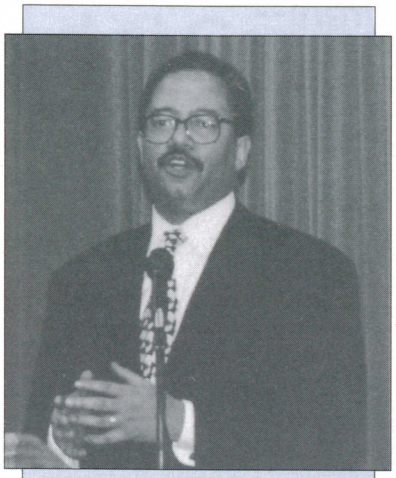
Plans are already underway for next year's Gala, set for April 11, 1997. To make reservations now to ensure a table for you and your friends or fellow alumni, contact Marie McNamara at (215) 884-2215.

*Gala MC Charles Cheleden enjoys the evening with his wife Noreen.*

*Congressman Jon Fox and wife Judi chat with Board of Trustee member Joe Walton.*

## Fattah Honored at Black History Month Program

Congressman Chaka Fattah, of Pennsylvania's 2nd District, was among those honored at MJC's **Unity: A Black History Month Celebration** program in February. In an evening dedicated to celebrating unity, the program featured music by the Temple of Christ Choir, readings and songs from Manor students, and a special merit awards ceremony honoring African-Americans from Manor and the surrounding area who have made a significant contribution to the community.



*Congressman Chaka Fattah encouraged young African-Americans to be heroes of tomorrow rather than only honoring heroes of the past during the College's Black History Month celebration.*

## Manor Holds Benefit Concert for Children of Chornobyl

In March, Manor held a benefit concert for the children of Chornobyl, site of the worst nuclear disaster in history. Held in Mother of Perpetual Help Hall, the concert raised over $3,000 and featured vocal performances by Dr. Yukiko Ishida, soloist Bohdan Chaplynsky and the Manor Junior College Chorus.

## Getting Down To Business

In April, Manor held its 13th Annual Business Awards Ceremony. Students in the Business Division learned about careers in banking from guest speaker Allison Snyder, of First Union Bank (left), while Trustee Erwin Straw (middle) spoke about the importance of networking.

*Allison Snyder of First Union Bank and Board of Trustee member Erwin Straw spoke to the 13th Annual Business Awards audience, discussing careers in banking and the importance of networking, respectively.*

# Manor Spotlight: Dr. Yukiko Ishida

Keeping busy is not a problem for Dr. Yukiko Ishida. While directing the MJC Chorus, serving as an advisor, and teaching a music history class, Dr. Ishida can be found thrilling audiences everywhere with her powerful singing. A colortura soprano, Dr. Ishida has toured throughout the world each summer since 1990, winning numerous awards in Voice along the way. This summer, she performed at a benefit concert in her native Japan for the Kobe earthquake victims.

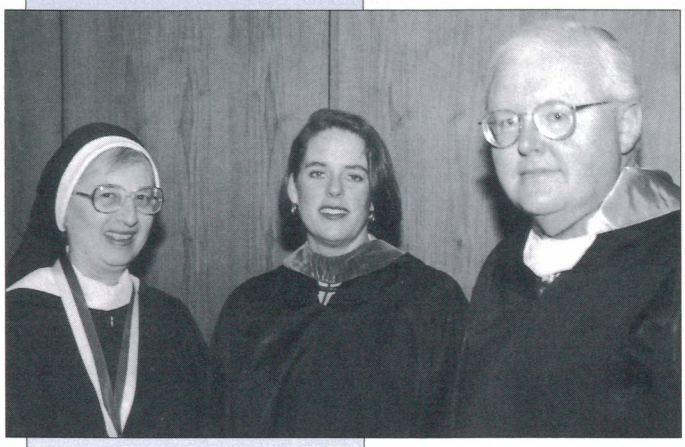
Her busy schedule also includes performing as a soloist at Union Methodist Church in Havertown, and she recently completed work on her first compact disk, due out in January, consisting of American classics and spiritual songs.

# Graduation '96

## Goodbye Students, Hello Alumni--
### Manor Bids Farewell To The Class Of '96

Manor held its 48th Commencement Ceremonies in Mother of Perpetual Help Hall on May 9, as 139 students (its largest ever graduating class) became the College's newest alumni.

Before commencement speaker Susan Myrtetus-McCann addressed the graduates (see right), College President Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, OSBM, spoke about taking responsibilty for the words they use. Sister Cecilia encouraged the graduates to take back the hateful words they read and hear on TV and replace them with words of healing and friendship. "Words have consequences. Go forth from Manor and touch the world with your kind words."



*College President Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, OSBM, Susan Myrtetus-McCann and Board Chairman Joe Toner addressed graduates at the 48th Commencement.*

*A Manor graduate (left) is assisted by Academic Dean Sally Mydlowec and President Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, OSBM, during the traditional hooding ceremony.*

*Graduates strike a pose at the post graduation celebration.*

## Commencement Speaker Urges Graduates to "Love What You Do."

Villanova resident Susan Myrtetus-McCann gave the keynote address at Manor's graduation ceremony.

Honored in 1995 as one of Philadelphia's "Women to Watch", McCann said too many students place income as the priority when choosing a career instead of deciding what they naturally like to do. "We devote so much of our time and dedication, so much of our lives to our careers, it only makes sense to do something you really like,"said McCann.

After working several unfulfilling years in the private sector, McCann said she slowly found a career in public service. She encouraged the graduates to explore the possibilities of working in a small business environment, saying that there has never been a better time to explore entrepreneurship.

A graduate of LaSalle University, McCann serves as Regional Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Before joining the SBA, she worked as a volunteer for President Clinton during his 1992 presidential campaign.

# Teachers Honored at Graduation

*--"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."*
-- Henry Brooks Adams

Manor has a tradition of caring and dedicated faculty members. Diane Pevar and John Stahura continue to carry on this legacy.

*Paralegal Director Diane Pevar and Senior Associate Professor John Stahura were honored at graduation for excellence in their respective fields.*

During graduation the College honored Pevar, director of Manor's paralegal program, nominating her for the West's Award, which recognizes outstanding accomplishments and dedication to paralegal education.

A former trial lawyer, Pevar arrived at Manor in 1986 to teach a medical law course. She is responsible for the original development and implementation of the American Business Association's approved paralegal program at the College and coordinates the poplular "mock trial" in which a hypothetical case is researched, written and enacted by paralegal students and presented to the College community.

"I try to emphasize ethics in the classroom," said Pevar. "I want the new generation of paralegals to be viewed as caring and committed individuals."

A review of her students' evaluations showed that 100 percent rated Pevar "superior" as an instructor. With no formal training as a teacher, she credits her success with students to using "positive reinforcement" in the classroom. "I always try to encourage students to go beyond what they think their limitations are," she said.

Recognition also went to Senior Associate Professor John Stahura for his nomination for the Gene Cartledge Award for excellence in environmental education.

A faculty member since 1979, Stahura has connected environmental protection and economic growth by way of lectures, laboratories, field trips, community education and personal example. His students have taken field trips to sewage treatment plants, the McAdoo toxic site, strip mines, Centralia coal mines, Pocono wetlands and many recycling facilities.

In 1989, Stahura founded the Students United for Nature (S.U.N.) organization at Manor, a group dedicated to promoting awareness in environmental and health issues.

"The club's purpose is to bring the students together to focus attention on our growing environmental problems and to teach them what they can do to sustain rather than degrade the earth's life-support system," said Stahura.

Stahura says his biggest challenge has been leading students to become "true environmentalists" by encouraging them to recycle and buy more fuel efficient cars and recyclable products. "Some say they're concerned, but their everyday practices don't always show it," he said.

## Be a CPA - Without the Number Crunching!

The Council of President's Associates is a vital adjunct to Manor's Board of Trustees, the Manor Junior College President and the Manor Junior College Development effort.

Members of the Council of President's Associates support the work of Manor Junior College by:

- implementing and initiating fund-raising activities for Manor Junior College;
- promoting Manor Junior College through business and community involvements to establish a broader base of financial support;
- serving as adjunct Public Relations representatives for Manor Junior College within their community, business associations and memberships.

The CPA is critical in helping the College to grow and advance into the next century. Members serve three year terms which can be renewed. If you are interested in becoming a member, send a letter of interest to Manor President Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, 700 Fox Chase Rd., Jenkintown, PA 19046.

## Need a Dentist?

Manor's Dental Health Center offers full-service dental care at reduced rates.

These services include:

**General Dentistry:**
Restorative (fillings), Cosmetic Dentistry (bonding), Crown and Bridge (caps), Root Canal and Dentures.

**Orthodontics:**
Braces for children age 16 and under.

**Periodontics:**
Treatment of gum disease.

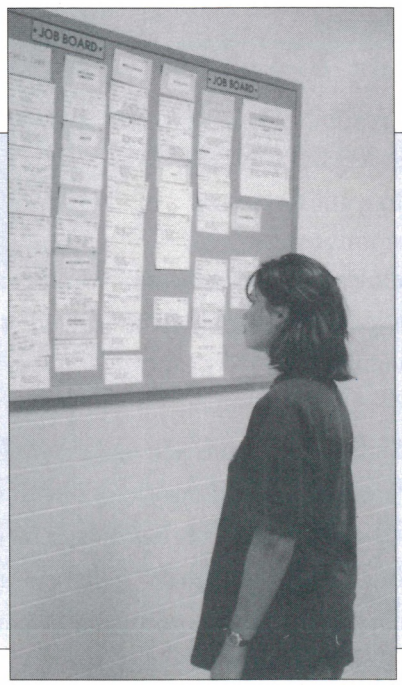
**Hygiene:**
Dental prophys (cleanings).

New patients receive half-off the initial exam (including full-mouth X-ray) and free periodontal consultation. **Fees are less than those of private practices in the area.**

To make an appointment, call (215) 887-7617.

## Help Build the Alumni Career Network

Does your company or organization have a job that could be filled by a Manor graduate? By letting us know about current openings you can help another Manor graduate get established or find new employment. Just send the information to our Counseling office by faxing 215-576-6564. And if you're looking for a job yourself, stop by the Counseling office where new jobs are sent in daily (many within the greater Philadelphia area). In addition, the Learning Center has year-round tutorials and books to help with interviewing, resume writing and cover letters. Call the Learning Center at (215) 885-2360 ext. 267 to make an appointment.




*Manor students and alumni have access to the job board, located outside the Counseling office in the Mother of Perpetual Help Hall, where new job opportunities are regularly posted.*

# Class Notes

**1965** **Carol J. Garczynski** (Liberal Arts) works as a Guidance/Health Counselor for grades K-6 at North Dover Elementary and Washington Street School, both in Toms River, NJ.

**1966** **Anna Janjanin** (Legal Secretarial) is a legal secretary and a member of the Philadelphia Legal Secretaries Association.

**"Where else can you go back 33 years later and people still remember your name!"**
**-- Helena Olijnyk Mazur, '63**

**1982** **Patti Cassidy Smokowicz** (EFDA) graduated from Montgomery County Community College in 1989 as a Registered Dental Hygienist. She practices non-surgical periodontal therapy in Paoli. Along with husband Andy, she has three boys, Andrew, Jonathan and Eric.

**1984** **Annette Morgan** (Word Processing) works for Corestates Bank as a Performance Specialist in the Investment Department.

**1986** **Sister Maureen Ann Donati** (Business Administration) graduated from East Stroudsburg University with a BA in Economics. Entered religious life in 1994 - with the Sisters - Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**1992** **David M. Sitbon** (Liberal Arts) is a licensed funeral director and embalmer at James M. Campbell Funeral Home.

**1993** **Mary L. Starrs** (Business Administration) had her first child, Eric Michael, in April 1995, with husband Michael.

**1995** **Jennifer Nebinger** (Physical Therapy) is attending Beaver College for her Masters in Physical Therapy.

# Alumni Briefs

## A Manor Connection

For Helena Olijnyk-Mazur *(pictured far right)* and Fusako Hayama-Kurose *(2nd from right)*, members of the class of '63, Manor will always be a place close to their heart. It was in the dorms of St. Josephat Hall where they first met and became friends 33 years ago. They remained close throughout their Manor years but lost touch after graduation; both married and Kurose moved back to her native Japan. When Mazur was able to locate Kurose years later, their friendship quickly resumed, only this time long distance. Today, they talk regularly by phone and Mazur is the godparent of Kurose's daughter.

Recently, the two reunited and decided to visit the place they had met 33 years ago. Though many things had changed at Manor, one thing remained the same according to Mazur: "Where else can you go back 33 years later and people still remember your name!"

*Also pictured: (far left) Norma Hall, director, Business Administration/Computer Science and (2nd from left) Elaine Ratner, director, Early Childhood Education & Psychology.*

## send us your... ALUMNI NOTES

**Let us hear from you! Tell us where you are and what you're doing!**
**Share your latest news with fellow alumni! Send your photos too!**

Current Name_____

Name as Manor Student_____

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New Address? _____ Yes _____ No Phone_____

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# After Words

## Manor Plans a "Golden" Celebration

When Manor College celebrates its 50th Anniversary in 1997, expect a year-long celebration to highlight this momentous occasion. A host of on and off-campus activities are already in the works including: alumni events, a picnic, class reunions and a homecoming.

Everyone is invited to see all the exciting changes that have taken place over the past 50 years. It's a great way to catch up with some old friends -- and make new ones!

Of course, more information will follow as plans for the 50th Anniversary continue.

## *Alumni News* is expanding...

Look for a second issue of the *Alumni News* to hit your mailbox this year!

That's right -- your *Alumni News*, which has to date only come out once a year, will now be published **twice** a year. Just part of our ongoing effort to keep in better touch with our alumni!

## A CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON!

*Congratulations to Manor's 1995-96 men's soccer team which won the Eastern Pennsylvania Collegiate Conference championship last season. Coach Bill Crowley guided the team to a 13-1 record, as the Blue Jays captured the league championship for the second time in three years. Look for a recap of the '96-'97 soccer season in the spring issue of Alumni News.*

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